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In re Application of)
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 BENJAMIN PLESS, *et al.*)
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 Application No.: 09/698,357)
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 Filed: October 27, 2002)
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 For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
 FOR ABLATING TISSUE)

Examiner: M. PEFFLEY

Art Unit: 3739

**ELECTION AND RESPONSE
TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

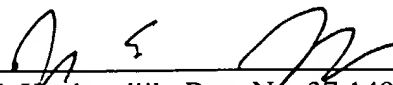
In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 14, 2002, Applicants
hereby elect Group II, claims 40-60 and 63 without traverse.

Applicants believe that claims 40-60 and 63 read on the elected invention.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution
of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 415-412-3322.

Respectfully submitted,

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